



## Legislation Text

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### **TITLE**

### **APPROVE ONE (1) VOLUNTARY AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT (VAD) APPLICATION**

### **SPONSOR**

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### **BACKGROUND**

Voluntary Agricultural Districts (VAD) and Enhanced Voluntary Agricultural Districts (EVAD) were developed by the NC Department of Agriculture to encourage the preservation and protection of farmland from non-farm development.

During its May 20th, 2019 meeting the Guilford County Agricultural Advisory Board approved the following application:

- 1. VAD Application #2019-05**, being 11.55 acres and comprised of one (1) Tax Parcel (#123218 @ 11.55 acres) owned by Thomas J. Hill, Jr. of Ramseur, NC.

To date, approval of this application brings the total number of VAD and EVAD parcels to 402 totaling, 17,707.19 acres enrolled. Of these totals, 363 parcels comprising 16,033.51 acres are enrolled in VAD, and 39 parcels comprising 1673.68 acres are enrolled in the EVAD. A copy of the NC Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services' VAD Program Brochure is attached for reference.

### **BUDGET IMPACT**

**NO ADDITIONAL COUNTY FUNDS REQUIRED**

### **REQUESTED ACTION**

Approve one (1) VAD (2019-05) application.